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Nixon: Bad Ties Fault of JFK, LBJ

REYKJAVIK, June 1 (UPI) — President Nixon told French President Georges Pompidou today that he blamed his Democratic predecessors for much of the tension and disagreement metween the United States and France in the past, a French spokesman reported.

The spokesman quoted Mr. Nixon, in his post-summit farewell to Pompidou, as saying that "up to 1969 [when Mr. Nixon took office], French-American relations were very bad and this was blamed largely on Gen. De Gaulle. But I think that much of the blame must be put on our own leaders."

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